

DATE:

August 19, 1980

TO:

Division File

FROM:

Amy J. Loiselle

SUBJECT:

Lee County/General-Franklin Grove/Logan

On August 19, 1980, the author met Al Espinel, Chairman of the Waste Management Committee and Art Oberts, both of Valspar, Jim Kinsey, consultant to Valspar, Bob Logan and two (2) of his employees at the Bob Logan Tractor Company from 1:30-4:15 p.m. purpose of the meeting was to review the barrels (approximately 800) of paint wastes "stored" on B. Logan's property since the early 1970's.

In the field northwest of B. Logan's house, four (4) groups of barrels were observed. The eastern-most group (approximately 255 barrels) were stacked one (1) high on wooden pallets. barrel had the following printed on it: "Drum Deposit/Returnable drum/Property of Ashland/Valspar Corp/200 S---St/Rockford, IL"; another had "Cinncinatti Milacron". Five to six barrels were rusted or appeared to be under pressure; the eleven (11) barrels in this group sampled by J. Kinsey contained paint waste solvents and sludge of various colors. The sludge content vaired from 1-50%. Of the central group (approximately 200 barrels) three (3) barrels were sampled by J. Kinsey and the author; sludge content of these barrels varied from 5-80%. The other two (2) groups of barrels on the southwest part of the "lot" consisted of approximately 10 and 85 barrels. Three (3) more barrels were sampled by J. Kinsey and the author from the group of 85 barrels.

According to J. Kinsey, all the barrels he sampled were similar to the types of paint wastes Valspar produces. The samples will be analyzed for flash point, type of solvent base, heavy metals and a total digest (acute toxicity). This office will followthrough on the sampling results and eventual disposal fo the wastes.

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